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FM AMEMBASSY MEXICO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8090

INFO AMCONSUL MATAMOROS

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EWWT, MX

SUBJ: PROPOSAL FOR SHIPMENT P.L. 480 GRAIN THROUGH PORT OF  
GUAYMAS

1. EMBASSY TCO WAS VISITED BY MAITLAND S. PENNINGTON,  
U.S. CONSULTANT TO GOM NATIONAL PORT COORDINATING COM-  
MITTEE (CNCP) AND LIC. JESUS VEGA ARRIAGA, DIRECTOR OF  
PORT PROMOTION OF CNCP ON MAY 28. MEETING WAS AT  
PENNINGTON'S INITIATIVE TO DISCUSS INFORMALLY PROPOSAL  
TO HAVE AID SHIP UP TO 250,000 TONS P.L. 480 GRAIN BOUND FOR ASIA  
THROUGH MEXICAN PORT OF GUAYMAS. ADVANTAGE WAS SAID TO  
BE THAT OF EFFICIENCY, DUE TO CONGESTION IN U.S. WEST  
COAST PORTS. AS A QUID PRO QUO, GOM WOULD KEEP ON THE  
BACK BURNER ITS PROPOSAL (SAID TO HAVE BEEN PROMINENT  
FOUR YEARS AGO AT BEGINNING OF GOM PRESIDENT ECEHVERRI'S  
TERM OF OFFICE) TO IMPROVE GREATLY THE PORT OF MATAMOROS,  
TO COMPETE WITH THE PORT OF BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS.

2. VEGA WAS QUIET DURING MOST OF THE CONVERSATION BUT  
LATER EXPRESSED COMPLETE AGREEMENT WITH PENNINGTON'S  
PROPOSALS. THIS IS FIRST EMBASSY KNOWLEDGE OF PROPOSAL  
AND, ALTHOUGH ANOTHER SOURCE FELT GUAYMAS COULD HANDLE  
THE SHIPMENTS, THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE MATAMOROS  
PROPOSAL IS NOT KNOWN, NOR IS POSSIBLE REACTION OF U.S.

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PORT AUTHORITIES ON WEST COAST. PENNINGTON FELT

ADVANTAGES TO BROWNSVILLE OF AGREEMENT COULD OUTWEIGH  
ANY POSSIBLE LOSSES TO U.S. WEST COAST PORTS. TCO WILL  
SEE MANAGER BROWNSVILLE NAVIGATION DISTRICT THIS WEEK  
AND WILL RAISE ISSUE WITH HIM. MEANWHILE, PENNINGTON  
SAID HE WILL SOON BE BACK IN WASHINGTON TO PROCEED  
FURTHER WITH THE PROPOSAL AND DISCUSSIONS IN THE  
DEPARTMENT.  
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